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In re Application of: Nobutaka Wakamiya

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to an Office action mailed on October 6, 2004. Submitted herewith is a request for a three-month extension of time along with a check in the amount of \$1,020.00. Should any additional fees be deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this document, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Marshall, Gerstein and Borun LLP deposit account number 13-2855.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the complete listing of claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

A declaration accompanies this amendment.